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NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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A filing date has NOT been accorded to the above-identified application papers for the reason(s) indicated below.

All of the items noted below and a newly executed oath or declaration covering the items must be submitted within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice, unless otherwise indicated, or proceedings on the application will be terminated (37 CFR 1.53(e)).

The filing date will be the date of receipt of all items required below, unless otherwise indicated. Any assertions that the item(s) required below were submitted, or are not necessary for a filing date, must be by way of petition directed to the attention of the Office of Petitions accompanied by the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(i)). If the petition states that the application is entitled to a filing date, a request for a refund of the petition fee may be included in the petition.

- The application was deposited without drawings. 35 U.S.C. 113 (first sentence) requires a drawing "where necessary for the understanding of the subject matter sought to be patented." *Applicant should reconsider whether the drawings are necessary under 35 U.S.C. 113 (first sentence).*

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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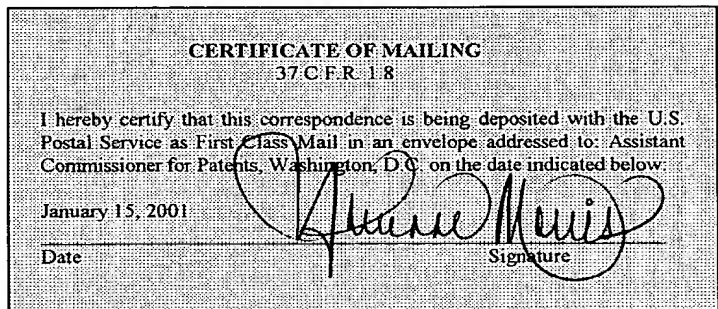
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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE
NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Incomplete Nonprovisional Application mailed on December 18, 2000. The response is due on February 18, 2001, and this response is being filed before that date.

The above-identified application is a continuation of Application Serial No. 08/864,423. The Applicants are providing drawings (FIGS. 1a-42) as requested to obviate the notice of incomplete nonprovisional application. The submitted drawings are the same drawings as originally filed in Application Serial No. 08/864,423. The drawings are supported, *inter alia*, by U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/864,423, filed May 28, 1997, entitled "Method and Apparatus for Document Processing" which is incorporated by reference in its entirety at page 2, lines 4-6 of the present application.



The present application claims the benefit of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/864,423, which is stated in both the Declaration filed on July 6, 2000, and the Supplemental Declaration filed on August 25, 2000.

Therefore, it is believed that a newly executed oath or declaration is unnecessary and that a filing date should be accorded to the present application.

A check in the amount of \$130.00 is enclosed for submission of the enclosed drawings. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or to credit any over payment to Jenkins & Gilchrist Account No. 10-0447/47171-00269.

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